

## Message Text

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R 270800Z FEB 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BANJUL  
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INFO AMEMBASSY DAKAR POUCH

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DEPT FOR AF/W AND S/CPR

DAKAR FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PDIP GA  
SUBJ: GOTG REQUEST TO ACCREDIT FOREIGN MINISTER JABANG AS  
GAMBIA'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO U.S.

REF: BANJUL 0195

1. BY MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS NOTE DATED FEB 21, 1978,  
THE GAMBIAN GOVERNMENT FORMALLY REQUESTS AOCREDITATION FOR  
L. K. JABANG, MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, TO BE AMBASSADOR  
TO THE UNITED STATES. A CURRICULUM VITAE IS APPENDED TO NOTE.

2. TEXT OF NOTE IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
THE GAMBIA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM THEM  
THAT HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT PROPOSES TO ACCREDIT THE  
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HONOURABLE MR. L.K. JABANG, MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, AS  
AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY TO THE UNITED  
STATES.

MR. JABANG WOULD BE RESIDENT IN BANJUL.

MRS. JABANG'S CURRICULUM VITAE IS ATTACHED, AND THE

MINISTRY SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE EMBASSY WOULD KINDLY  
CONVEY MR. JABANG'S NOMINATION AND OBTAIN THE REQUIRED  
AGREEMENT.

THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
THE GAMBIA AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO  
THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE ASSURANCES  
OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

BANJUL, 21 FEBRUARY 1978

UNQUOTE

3. TEXT OF CURRICULUM VITAE IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

SURNAME: JABANG

OTHER NAMES: LAMIN KITTY

DATE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 05 DEC 2014]

PLACE OF BIRTH: PIRANG, KOMBO EAST, WESTERN DIVISION,  
THE GAMBIA.

FATHER'S NAME: KITTY SEKU JABANG

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MOTHER'S NAME: KODU MANNEH

WIFE'S NAME: JANKEY JOHN

CHILDREN: TWO GIRLS, FATOU AND FANTA AND ONE BOY,  
MUSTAPHA

EDUCATION: PRIMARY AND SECONDARY

YUNDUM COLLEGE: GAMBIA TEACHERS' CERTIFICATE

CAREER: 1960-61 UNQUALIFIED TEACHER,  
GUNJUR SCHOOL.

1961-63 PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC  
TRAINING (QUALIFIED TEACHER).

1963-66 ASSISTANT TEACHER,  
KINTEH-KUNDA SCHOOL.

1966 SEPTEMBER, NOMINATED TO OPEN  
JAMBANJELLY NEW SCHOOL AND APPOINTED

HEAD OF THE SCHOOL UP TO 1970.

1970 CANDIDATE OFFICIALLY SPONSORED BY  
THE PEOPLE'S PROGRESSIVE PARTY (P.P.P.)  
TO CONTEST IN A BYE-ELECTION IN THE  
PRIME MINISTER'S FORMER CONSTITUENCY  
WHICH BECAME VACANT ON GAMBIA'S ATTAIN-  
MENT OF REPUBLICAN STATUS, AND ELECTED  
UNOPPOSED TO PARLIAMENT.

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DAKAR FOR AMBASSADOR

1972 RE-ELECTED IN GENERAL ELECTIONS AND  
APPOINTED PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY IN THE  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

DECORATIONS: OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF THE LION  
- 27TH APRIL, 1973. REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL.

DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCE: HAS BEEN REGULARLY VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE  
GAMBIAN DELEGATION TO THE U.N. GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY SINCE 1972. ACTED AS CHAIRMAN  
ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS. HAS ATTENDED  
ALL OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND SUMMIT  
MEETINGS SINCE 1972. HAS BEEN SEVERAL  
TIMES LEADER OF THE GAMBIAN DELEGATION TO  
THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETINGS. HAS  
BEEN REGULARLY A MEMBER OF THE GAMBIA

DELEGATION TO BILATERAL MINISTERIAL  
MEETINGS WITH NEIGHBOURING AFRICAN  
COUNTRIES SINCE 1972. WAS VICE CHAIRMAN

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OF THE GAMBIAN DELEGATION TO THE 4TH  
SUMMIT OF NON-ALIGNED STATES IN ALGIERS IN  
1973, THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING IN  
LIMA, PERU IN 1975, AND ATTENDED THE 1976  
5TH NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT IN COLOMBO, SRI  
LANKA. ACCOMPANIED HIS EXCELLENCY THE  
PRESIDENT ON STATE VISITS TO THE REPUBLIC  
OF SENEGAL IN 1973 AND TO CHINA IN 1975.

APPOINTED MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ON  
THE 12TH APRIL 1977.

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4. ORIGINALS OF NOTE AND CURRICULUM VITAE ARE BEING POUCHED  
FEBRUARY 23, ATTENTION S/CPR.  
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